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STATES UNDER OATH / COMFIRMS IN ENGLISH THAT

1) Jodi Lord is a trauma counselor and play therapist and I do not believe she was qualified to have begun the sexual abuse assessment with Jed.

2) Jodi asked Jed a direct question which one is not supposed to do in this type of investigation as per feedback from professionals in this arena. Her initial questions tainted the investigation and confused my child into wondering if he had been molested.

3) Jodi did not submit a Form 22 to SAPS as is correct protocol when she was informed that Mark had made the false allegation. She did submit a report to the FCS until BADISA requested she do so which was months after she was informed of the father's allegation and some time after the second sexual abuse investigation by the FCS. I do not believe she ever submitted a Form 22 as is correct protocol in a case like this. Neither did Anne Cawood, Joan Campbell or Elzabe Durr-Fitchen.

4) Jodi did not follow up on my information regarding the domestic violence / emotional and psychological abuse and the abuse of substances by the father (first shared in 2017) and my request for help with such in 2019 when things escalated.

5) I believe that Mark told Jodi that I was "Schizophrenic" to discredit me and that Jodi LORD showed clear bias, a lack of training regarding abuse, a lack of training regarding mental health and a lack of training regarding trauma and the resulting symptoms of

trauma. She simply believed Mark's allegation that I am mentally unwell without further investigation. Calling "crazy" on the victim to discredit them is a widely known tactic of emotional and psychosocial abuse. I question why a professional trauma counselor is not aware of any of the above.

6) Jodi Lord diagnosed my son with anxiety and depression. PTSD and CPTSD are primary symptoms of trauma from emotional and psychological abuse and I question why a trauma counsellor did not understand what she was seeing and whether she is qualified to make a psychiatric / psychological diagnosis.

7) Jodi Lord admitted that she had not read my emails during this situation and only bothered to do this just prior to me approaching children's court in June 2019. The case had unfolded for almost two months by this stage.

She then chose to resign abruptly and ignore further emails. She put me in direct contact with her superior instead claiming she was off sick.

8) Jodi did not taper off therapy with Jed. She built a relationship based on trust and then abandoned him to cover herself. Jed has really struggled to trust anybody since.

9) Jodi has refused to acknowledge my request for her to release her files for the investigation, to share relevant information with authorities or to respond to further emails and has threatened to take legal action against me for "harassing" her when I request such.

10) Jodi's lack of transparency about the case events and history and clear bias resulted in Joan Campbell pressuring my son to make an admission that the abuse had, in fact, happened during her investigation. Joan Campbell's ongoing pressure and refusal to believe Jed during her interviews with her traumatized Jed. Jed went from sleeping naked (unless my partner was sleeping over) until his interviews with Joan Campbell. After his

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interviews with Joan Campbell Jed began to wear a pair of shorts and two pairs of tracksuit pants to bed to sleep at night.

11) Joan Campbell then stated in her report that there was trauma visible – this trauma was ENTIRELY due to her interviewing process which was driven towards believing that this had happened and my son was hiding something. My son was sacred of her and told me that she would not believe or listen to him. I was ignored in all dealings until I got back from treatment and began to ask relevant questions regarding the process. I believe that interference from Jodi Lord at the direct of Mark encouraged Joan Campbell to believe that the abuse had happened.

12) Jodi knew full well that Mark made the false allegation of sexual abuse and the circumstances around this and chose to remain silent and not share relevant info with the FCS or BADISA in the continued investigation which forced Jed to go through another sexual abuse assessment unnecessarily and be further traumatized.

13) Jodi Lord advised Mark to meet with BADISA and open his own case in children's court after I informed her that I had gone directly to children's court to ask for help. Mark states that Jodi Lord told him to do this in an Affidavit to civil court. This biased BADISA in their dealings with me as Mark met with Georgina from Wynberg BADISA in person before I approached their offices a and shared false information. When I approached Wynberg BADISA to ask for assistance after I opened the case in Children's Court my name was removed from the appointment book by Georgina w ho told me to wait until the court date and refused to assist further. Mark's initial meeting with BADISA at Jodi Lord's suggestion has resulted in over a year and a half court process due to bias and lack of investigation by BADISA due to Mark's continued misdirection of facts and the history of the case. This has resulted in severe emotional, mental and financial stress for me and my son and the loss of my family and life-partner. Mark has continued to maintain that the abuse happened, regardless of the FCS saying that there was no trauma visible and dropping the case, and my son and I are afraid for Gulam's safety if we see him again.

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14) BADISA have written false reports based on Mark's information without investigation – Mark has claimed that Jodi Lord made the false allegation of child molestation against my life-partner for a year and a half and Jodi Lord has not corrected this with relevant authorities even though I have repeatedly asked her to.

15) I believe Jodi Lord briefed and shared untrue information with Joan Campbell and Anne Cawood prior to providing them to me as, supposedly, unbiased experts to assist – as well as during their work on the case. This directly impacted the investigations, care and professionalism of Anne Cawood and Joan Campbell.

eg. Anne Cawood commented that what a parent did on their weekends was "none of her business," – when I informed her that the father was using drugs and had driven to fetch our son from school - directly from a three day psychedelic trance party and on my day of the parenting plan – and had threatened me if I went to fetch my son on my day of the parenting plan. The father had then fallen asleep on the couch and put my son in front of tv. Anne Cawood remarked that this sounded like something any normal parent would do. Anne Cawood chose not to address the illegal breaking of the parenting plan or to respond to the father refusing to take a drug test which was an initial suggestion of hers for a new parenting plan.

I am unsure of how a social worker could not be concerned about drug use, a parent committing a criminal offence or threatening another parent? The father told Anne Cawood that I am "schizophrenic and off meds" in front of me in a session.

Anne Cawood did not follow up with any investigation regarding this, second, false allegation by the father.

16) It has become evident recently that Jodi Lord is still in direct contact with Mark though she has refused any contact with me as the other parent. Jodi Lord and the father are still working together to prevent things coming to light and she has refused to acknowledge my consent to provide notes to the HSPCA. The father has refused consent for Jodi Lord's notes to be released.

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17) Jodi Lord has written a false and incorrect report confirming that my son told her my life-partner had sexually molested him. In the worlds of my son, "She lied. Maybe dad paid her to." - My son then goes on to explain clearly why her report is not logistically possible or accurate. I have recorded evidence of this.

18) I met with Jodi Lord to question her report on the same day that I opened a case at Children's Court to request a low contact parenting plan. Jodi Lord did not take notes or recordings during her interview with Jed and admitted that after six weeks (when the report was written) she "sat down and thought very hard." She seemed to have forgotten her initial verbal feedback from the session in full. She looked through her notes with a confused expression when I informed her that somehow Mark's repeated confirmations, via his emails, that the abuse had occurred as fact had somehow made it into her written report and that this information was entirely different to her verbal feedback. Jodi Lord took a recording of this meeting at my request and sent me a copy.

19) Despite our conversation and my clarification of the incorrect report, Jodi Lord submitted the incorrect and false report to the FCS when requested to do so by BADISA some months later.

20) Jodi Lord repeatedly refused to answer questions regarding external / private contact with the father and whether the father had made any allegations regarding my mental health. Due to the ongoing dishonesty displayed by Jodi Lord in my dealings with her over the last year and a half I would ask that her email and phone records be ordered to be provided by court for the investigation.

21) My son is showing clear signs of trauma from this sequence of events (PTSD) and I am unable to get him relevant treatment as the father continues to refuse to sign off on therapy for our child to hide the truth. Jodi Lord's actions have directly resulted in my son's PTSD and her refusal to expose the truth of the situation is preventing my child from

getting necessary medical assistance.

22) Jodi Lord's actions have resulted in my pleas for assistance with the emotional and psychological abuse being ignored for a year and a half (also shared with Anne Cawood and Joan Campbell openly and ignored).

23) My son was ill and severely neglected when I got out of treatment for the anxiety and mental exhaustion as a result of the abuse and the lack of response from Jodi Lord, Anne Cawood and Joan Campbell. I provided all of them with information and evidence of my son's physical and emotional state and there is a doctor's report available. None of these private professionals submitted a Form 22 or intervened. Anne Cawood resigned at this point.

24) Joan Campbell had enough integrity to let me know that the father's lawyer had approached her privately before the case when she resigned. Elzabe Durr-Fitchen, who was the other private social worker referred by Jodi Lord, openly stated she had been approached by the father's lawyer prior to the investigation beginning. This when I reached out to her for assistance due to lack of response from Anne Cawood. Anne Cawood maintains she was never approached by the father's lawyer but I have email proof that she is dishonest as well and would have been the only professional not to have been approached before hand.

25) Gulam Mather and I were primary care-givers to Jed for two years before this incident and Gulam was never interviewed, included in the process or even spoken to by any of the social workers mentioned in this Affidavit as a part of their investigation / this case. Jed was with myself and Gulam every day except 9 evenings a month. Mark had also forgone holidays with Jed repeatedly so that he could attend psychedelic trance events. Mark was upset that Jed would cry at his house and want to come home to see Gulam and I early. Joan Campbell went as far as to placate Mark that Gulam's strong relationship with Jed would not affect Mark's relationship with Jed as his father when Mark expressed concern for this in our first interview with her after the false allegation. I was stunned that she did

not make the connection at this point.

All social workers mentioned in this Affidavit were informed that the father's false allegation of child molestation against Gulam Mather had occurred just over a week after we had decided to move in together as a family unit. Jed was overjoyed at the prospect. All social wroker's in this affidavit wre given a full history of the substance abuse and the emotional anbd psycholgocial abuse and chose to ignore it. Anne Cawood, Jodi Lord and Joan Campbell were furnished with photographs of Jed's state of severe neglect when I got him back home after treatment with a Doctor's report offered. None of them followed up. Anne Cawood resigned upon receipt of the email.

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